IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1 through 85 and insert the following new claims 86 through 145:

86. A data entry device for use in a data entry system, said data entry device comprising:

a reading sensor responsive to commands and/or sensed commands and data to produce input signals;

a controller coupled to said reading sensor to receive and process said input signals;

said controller coupled to a communications inter-face to selectively control transmission over said communications interface of command and/or data signals as determined by said input signals processed by said controller; said communications interface being operable directly to connect said data entry device to a wireless telecommunications network; and

a display coupled to said controller to display commands and/or information under control of said input signals processed by said controller;

wherein said reading sensor, controller and display comprise a unitary assembly and said communications interface is a cellular telephone network interface and said wireless telecommunications network is a cellular telephone network.

87. A data entry device for use in a data entry system, said data entry device comprising:

a reading sensor responsive to commands and/or sensed commands and data to produce input signals;

a controller coupled to said reading sensor to receive and process said input signals;

said controller coupled to a communications inter-face to selectively control transmission over said communications interface of command and/or data signals as determined by said input signals processed by said controller; said communications interface being operable directly to connect said data entry device to a wireless telecommunications network; and

a display coupled to said controller to display commands and/or information under control of said input signals processed by said controller;

wherein said reading sensor, controller and display comprise a unitary assembly and said communications interface is a cellular telephone network interface and said wireless telecommunications network is a cellular telephone network and said data entry device is integral with a cellular telephone.

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88. A data entry device for use in a data entry system, said data entry device comprising:

a reading sensor responsive to commands and/or sensed commands and data to produce input signals;

a controller coupled to said reading sensor to receive and process said input signals;

said controller coupled to a communications inter-face to selectively control transmission over said communications interface of command and/or data signals as determined by said input signals processed by said controller;

said communications interface being operable directly to connect said data entry device to a wireless telecommunications network; and

a display coupled to said controller to display commands and/or information under control of said input signals processed by said controller;

wherein said reading sensor, controller and display comprise a unitary assembly and said communications interface is a satellite interface and said wireless telecommunications network is a satellite telecommunications network.

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89. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said communications interface includes a modem.

90. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said reading sensor, controller and display comprise a hand holdable unit.

91. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said controller is responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from a remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said data entry device.

92. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said data entry device includes a rechargeable power source, means being provided for recharging said power source.

93. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said data entry device comprises one or two manually operable switches for scrolling said display in a first and/or second direction for selectively displaying said commands and/or information.

94. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said data entry device comprises one or two manually operable switches for scrolling said display in a first and/or second direction for

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selectively displaying said commands and/or information, and wherein operation of said first and/or second switches in predetermined operational states of said data entry device causes predetermined functions other than scrolling functions to be performed.

95. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said display screen comprises a touch sensitive screen forming a said reading sensor, said controller being arranged to be responsive to a location at which said screen is touched for user input.

96. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88 wherein a said reading sensor is for reading coded data such as fingerprints or signatures or written text, wherein said controller is arranged to access stored information for selectable items to determine natural language characters or images corresponding to the coded data for display.

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97. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88 wherein a said reading sensor is for reading coded data such as fingerprints or signatures or written text, wherein said controller is arranged to access stored information for selectable items to determine natural language characters or images corresponding to the coded data for display, and wherein said coded data comprises bar codes and/or binary dot codes and said sensor is a bar code and/or dot code reader.

98. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein a said reading sensor is a motion detector or a scanning device such as a camera.

99. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said controller is user programmable to cause captured data to be displayed on said display either in a first orientation suitable for reading displayed data when said data entry device is held in a user's right hand, or in a second orientation suitable for reading displayed data when said data entry device is held in a user's left hand, said controller being responsive to user programming operations including scanning of an appropriate command code using said reading sensor.

100. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, ein said data entry device is configured as an elongate unit such that it ɔe held by a user in the manner of a pen or quill with said reading sensor located in a reading head at or adjacent to one end of said data entry e.

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101. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein said reading sensor is remote from or releasably attached to said data entry device.

102. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, additionally comprising as well as or instead of said display screen, and separate from said data entry device, means for displaying a selectable item with associated data sources for user selection of an item by operation of said data entry device; and

- a remote processing center for processing user selections transmitted from said data entry device.

103. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88 comprising rewritable storage and wherein programs in said data entry device are updateable remotely from said processing center.

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104. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, comprising a verification device in the form of a verification card or like carrier carrying a verification code such as a bar code and/or dot code or any other means for verification of user information.

105. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, comprising a carrier or a display for a plurality of data and/or command codes for association with means for displaying a plurality of selectable items, wherein said carrier carries a plurality of codes, each for a respective one of a plurality of natural language and/or numeric characters and a plurality of commands for controlling operation of said data entry device or a merchandising system, each code being associated with a visual representation of the corresponding natural language or numeric character or command and/or of a graphical representation thereof.

106. A data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, comprising a carrier or a display for a plurality of data and/or command codes for association with means for displaying a plurality of selectable items, wherein said carrier carries a plurality of codes, each for a respective one of a plurality of natural language and/or numeric characters and a plurality of commands for controlling operation of said data entry device or a merchandising system, each code being associated with a visual representation of the corresponding natural language or numeric character or command and/or of a graphical representation thereof, wherein said codes are bar and/or dot codes and/or other product identifications.

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107. A data entry device according to claim any of Claims 86, 87 or 88 wherein a key on said data entry device can be used for entry of a said command and/or data.

106. A merchandising system comprising a data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, wherein:

said device is programmable with information relating to user selectable merchandisable items; and said interface is coupleable to a remote processing center for initiating processing of user orders of said selectable merchandisable items.

107. A merchandising system comprising a data entry device according to any of Claims 86, 87 or 88, and additionally comprising as well as or instead of said display screen, and separate from said data entry device, means for displaying a selectable item with associated data sources for user selection of an item by operation of said data entry device; and

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a remote processing center for processing user selections transmitted from said data entry device, wherein:

said selectable items are merchandisable items; and

said remote processing center initiates processing of user orders of said selectable merchandisable items.

108 A data entry device according to Claim 88, wherein said data entry device is integral with a satellite telephone.

109. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to a plurality of items, user selectable by means of said reading sensor;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item; and

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item;

and said system further comprising:

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic

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reception of information relating to selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, said controller being responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said selectable items, wherein said hand holdable unit includes a speaker and/or microphone permitting said hand holdable unit to be used as a telephone handset.

110. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to selectable items;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item;

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a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item; and

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to said selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, wherein said telecommunications interface is a telecommunications line interface integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand-holdable unit to said telecommunications network, and wherein said hand holdable unit includes a speaker and/or microphone permitting said hand holdable unit to be used as a telephone handset.

111. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to a plurality of items, user selectable by means of said reading sensor;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item; and

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a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item;

and said system further comprising:

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, said controller being responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said selectable items, wherein said telecommunications interface is a cellular telephone network interface.

112. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

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a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to selectable items;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item;

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item; and

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to said selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, wherein said telecommunications interface is a telecommunications line interface integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand-holdable unit to said telecommunications network, and wherein said telecommunications interface is a cellular telephone network interface.

113. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to a plurality of items, user selectable by means of said reading sensor;

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a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item; and

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item;

and said system further comprising:

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, said controller being responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said selectable items, wherein said telecommunications interface is a satellite interface and said telecommunications network is a satellite telecommunications network.

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114. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to selectable items;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item;

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item; and

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to said selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, wherein said telecommunications interface is a telecommunications line interface integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand holdable unit to said telecommunications network, and wherein said telecommunications interface is a satellite interface and said telecommunications network is a satellite telecommunications network.

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115. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to a plurality of items, user selectable by means of said reading sensor;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item; and

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item;

and said system further comprising:

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, said controller being responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said selectable items, wherein said telecommunications interface is an interface for connection to a wireless telecommunications network.

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116. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to selectable items;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item;

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item; and

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a wireless telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to said selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said wireless telecommunications network, wherein said telecommunications interface is a telecommunications

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line interface integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand-holdable unit to said wireless telecommunications network.

117. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to a plurality of items, user selectable by means of said reading sensor;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item; and

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item;

and said system further comprising:

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a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, said controller being responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said selectable items, and wherein said system further comprises a carrier for a plurality of data and/or command codes for association with means for displaying a plurality of selectable items, wherein said carrier carries a plurality of codes, each for a respective one of a plurality of natural language and/or numeric characters and a plurality of commands for controlling operation of said data entry or merchandising system, each code being associated with a visual representation of the corresponding natural language or numeric character or command and/or of a graphical representation thereof.

118. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to selectable items;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or

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sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item;

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item; and

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to said selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, wherein said telecommunications interface is a telecommunications line interface integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand-holdable unit to said telecommunications network, and wherein said data entry system further comprises a carrier for a plurality of data and/or command codes for association with means for displaying a plurality of selectable items, wherein said carrier carries a plurality of codes, each for a respective one of a plurality of natural language and/or numeric characters and a plurality of commands for controlling operation of said data entry or merchandising system, each code being associated with a visual representation of the corresponding natural language or numeric character or command and/or of a graphical representation thereof.

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119. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to a plurality of items, user selectable by means of said reading sensor;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item; and

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item;

and said system further comprising:

a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, said controller being responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said

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selectable items, and wherein said reading sensor is located in a reading head which is releasably attached to said hand holdable unit.

120. A data entry system comprising a hand holdable data entry unit, said hand holdable unit comprising:

a reading sensor for sensing commands and/or data and for producing input signals in response to said sensed commands and/or data;

rewritable storage programmable with information relating to selectable items;

a controller connected to receive and process said input signals from said sensor, said controller being arranged to respond to commands and/or sensed commands to control said hand holdable unit and to said data to select a said item;

a display screen for displaying a user readable representation of said commands and said stored information for said selected item; and

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a telecommunications interface for telephonic transmission of information relating to a selected item or items from said storage to a remote processing center via a telecommunications network and for telephonic reception of information relating to said selectable items from said remote processing center to said storage via said telecommunications network, wherein said telecommunications interface is a telecommunications line interface integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand-holdable unit to said telecommunications network, and wherein said reading sensor is located in a reading head which is releasably attached to said hand holdable unit.

121. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 111, 113, 115, 117 or 119, wherein said telecommunications interface is integral to said hand holdable unit and directly connects said hand-holdable unit to said telecommunications network.

122. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said hand holdable unit includes a rechargeable power source, means being provided for recharging said power source.

123. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 117, 118, 119, or 120, wherein said telecommunications interface is a wireless telecommunications network interface.

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124. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said telecommunications interface is a cellular telephone network interface.

125. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said telecommunications interface is a satellite interface and said telecommunications network is a satellite telecommunications network.

126. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said telecommunications interface includes a modem.

127. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said hand holdable unit comprises one or two manually operable switches for scrolling said display in a first and/or second direction for selectively displaying information for respective selectable or selected items from said storage.

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128 A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said hand holdable unit comprises one or two manually operable switches for scrolling said display in a respective selectable or selected items from said storage, and wherein operation of said first and/or second switches in predetermined operational states of said hand holdable unit causes predetermined functions other than scrolling functions to be performed.

129. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said display screen comprises a touch sensitive screen forming a said reading sensor, said controller being arranged to be responsive to a location at which said screen is touched for user input.

130. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120 wherein a said reading sensor is for reading coded data such as fingerprints or signatures or written text, wherein said controller is arranged to access the stored information for selectable items to determine natural language characters or images corresponding to the coded data for display.

131. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein a said reading sensor is for

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reading coded data such as fingerprints or signatures or written text, wherein said controller is arranged to access the stored information for selectable items to determine natural language characters or images corresponding to the coded data for display, and wherein said coded data comprises bar codes and/or binary dot codes and said sensor is a bar code and/or dot code reader.

132. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein a said reading sensor is a motion detector or a scanning device such as a camera.

133. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said controller is user programmable to cause captured data to be displayed on said display either in a first orientation suitable for reading displayed data when said hand holdable unit is held in a user's right hand, or in a second orientation suitable for reading displayed data when said hand holdable unit is held in a user's left hand, said controller being responsive to user programming operations including scanning of an appropriate command code using said reading sensor.

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134. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said hand holdable unit is configured as an elongate unit such that it may be held by a user in the manner of a pen or quill with said reading sensor being located in a reading head at or adjacent to one end of said hand holdable unit.

135. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117 or 118, wherein said reading sensor is located in a reading head which is releasably attached to said hand holdable unit.

136. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, additionally comprising as well as or instead of said display screen, and separate from said hand holdable unit, means for displaying a selectable item with associated data sources for user selection of an item by operation of said hand holdable unit; and a remote processing center for processing user selections transmitted from said hand holdable unit.

137. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein programs in said hand holdable unit are updateable remotely from said processing center.

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138. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, comprising a verification device in the form of a verification card or like carrier carrying a verification code such as a bar code and/or dot code and/or any other means for verification of user information.

139. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 119 or 120, comprising a carrier, such as a display, for a plurality of data and/or command codes for association with means for displaying a plurality of selectable items, wherein said carrier carries a plurality of codes, each for a respective one of a plurality of natural language and/or numeric characters and a plurality of commands for controlling operation of said data entry or merchandising system, each code being associated with a visual representation of the corresponding natural language or numeric character or command and/or of a graphical representation thereof.

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140. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, comprising a carrier, such as a display, for a plurality of data and/or command codes for association with means for displaying a plurality of selectable items, wherein said carrier carries a plurality of codes, each for a respective one of a plurality of natural language and/or numeric characters and a plurality of commands for controlling operation of said data entry or merchandising system, each code being associated with a visual representation of the corresponding natural language or numeric character or command and/or of a graphical representation thereof, and wherein said codes are bar and/or dot codes and/or other product identifications.

141. A data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein a key on said data entry unit can be used for entry of a said command and/or data.

142. A merchandising system comprising a data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein:

said selectable items are merchandisable items; and

said remote processing center initiates processing of user orders of said selectable merchandisable items.

143. A merchandising system comprising a data entry system according to any of Claims 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119

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or 120 additionally comprising as well as or instead of said display screen, and separate from said hand holdable unit means for displaying a selectable item with associated data sources for user selection of an item by operation of said hand holdable unit; and

a remote processing center for processing user selections transmitted from said hand holdable unit, wherein:

said selectable items are merchandisable items; and

said remote processing center initiates processing of user orders of said selectable merchandisable items.

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144. A data entry system according to any of Claims 110, 112, 114, 116, 118 or 120, wherein said controller is responsive to a said command to cause downloading of information from said remote processing center as required for updating information previously stored in said rewritable storage for one or more of said selectable items.

145. A data entry system according to any of Claims 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 or 120, wherein said hand holdable unit includes a speaker and/or microphone permitting said hand holdable unit to be used as a telephone handset.